

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

VILLAGE OF FORT RECOVERY COUNCIL

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held

August 02, 2021

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Al Post called to order the Regular Council Meeting on August 2, 2021 at 7:30 pm in the Village of Fort Recovery Council Chambers to conduct regular business.

**Roll call** was conducted with the following Council members present: Erik Fiely, Cliff Wendel, Luke Knapke, Greg Schmitz, Scott Pearson and Al Post.

**Also Present:** Randy Diller, Roberta Staugler, Erin Abels, Leslie Gartrel, Bailey Cline, Neal Spencer, Jared Laux and PG Jellison.

The president led with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

**Reports to Council:** VA Report.

**Minutes:** Pearson made a motion to approve the July 19, 2021 minutes with a correction on page two line 34, Randy: I will give Mike a call. Wendel seconded the motion. Vote all yes

Laux: Tractor Pulls went well. Adam is about ready to patrol on his own, this will be his first weekend out on his own. Post: Nothing major occurred this weekend? Laux: No. This weekend Alex will be around.

## RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

### **RES 2021-11 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATIONS.**

Pearson made the motion to suspend the rules for three readings which was seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes. Wendel made the motion to pass the resolution which was seconded by Knapke. Vote all yes.

Diller: A copy of the garbage contract is in drop box. This resolution will raise the bags by 10¢. We will keep the 20¢ amount per bag which comes back to the village for leaf and brush pick-up the same.

### **RES 2021-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT WITH MAHARG, INC.** Pearson made the motion to suspend the rules for three readings which was seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes. Wendel made the motion to pass the resolution which was seconded by Knapke. Vote all yes.

**Diller:** This ordinance is a 1.0% wage increase as discussed at our last meeting for employees except Adam as he is in his probationary period.

### **ORD 2021-06 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE WAGE ORDINANCE.** Pearson made the motion to suspend the rules for three readings which was seconded by Schmitz. Vote all yes by roll call vote. Wendel made the motion to pass the resolution which was seconded by Knapke. Vote all yes by roll call vote.

**Staugler:** The Rural Development loan was refinanced on July 22<sup>nd</sup> at a rate of 1.66%. We did not make the 2021 payment to Rural Development as it would have taken too long for the payment to be posted and have the payoff recalculated. We will calculate the amount we can pay on the new loan at which time OWDA will re-amortize the payment.

**Abels:** I worked on the waste disposal contract which Randy will talk more about. I also worked on the Sidewalk Policy for which I will have an ordinance drafted.

**Diller: Projects: Broadway / Elm Street Project update:** We did not get paving done last week. We are trying to coordinate with the grinding. Since we are running this through the project, I told them it is not fair to PAB to continue to put this off. She said in our original conversation, they would schedule dates in September, but will try to work into an open

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period. They will come back to do seeding and fertilizer this fall. It has not been a good summer for grass.

**Lime Sludge** We are working on the land application permit which should go easily. We will submit the application along with our \$200 to OEPA.

**Lime Feed:** Equipment was delivered on July 27<sup>th</sup>. Mitch and Ryan are working on odds and ends, the deadline is December 31, 2021.

**Water Department: Meters:** Ryan, went over the quote, we have a few more questions we need to get answered. We will buy our own computer, Ryan said we do not need a tough book, we will purchase a laptop. The hydrant repair is on the list

**Water tower maintenance:** The maintenance did not occur by the end of July. They should be coming soon.

**Sidewalk:** As Erin mentioned the policy has been placed into drop box. The policy will be attached to the ordinance. We have to follow the assessment policy as written. Post: Will this start next year? Diller: Yes. Pearson: Does May to July 31<sup>st</sup> feel like too short of time frame for them to get their sidewalk fixed? Diller: If they have it lined up, we won't go in and say "sorry it's too late". Basically, the most cost-effective way is to go to each door and talk to them. I will give them details on why. Pearson: Will we give them the option to have Stachler's come in to repair it? Diller: The problem, is we won't give them the number until next spring. If it is not too bad, I think they will go the cutting route. Pearson: Is there a name for it? Diller: The company name is Precision Cutting. If they had someone local, I would not care if it was a local company which was like that and they can do trip hazard cutting. I will provide information to those that it will apply to. If we have a hundred the first year, it will take time. Most will be straight forward if they have marks on the sidewalk, if we give them an option, I think they will do it. We will attach it to the ordinance to read at the next meeting.

**Tap Grant:** We are still moving forward. I talked to Blake Simpson. We are working through the process and are setting up a meeting with Randy Chevalley. I would like for him to come before we get the street repaved.

**GIS:** Robert was here last week. Robert was much more technically advanced; we have more work to complete. He will come out as many times as we need him. He installed the program on the water and street department's computers which makes it much easier to read. We also found out the street department computer needs to be upgraded, which we will do.

**Overlay:** We will figure this out as soon as possible.

**Park:** Pool operations are winding down. The Health Department came out and gave us a clean inspection. The flow rate was down as the filters needed to be cleaned.

**Park Board:** The materials are lined up for repair on the press boxes which they will begin when ball season is over this Friday. They have the last games at Fort Site Park. Post: What are they repairing? Diller: They are making them maintenance free, adding soffit, just an overall clean up to make them look nice.

**Zoning:** I have passed the policy on to Jen to complete the necessary formatting.

**Important Dates:** The last concert is August 8th. Last night was the Foundation night, Bill Bechtol represented the Park Board. This Thursday is the First Thursday in the Fort from 5-8 pm on the brick street. It will be similar to the past two years. We have the WOW event in town at the end of the month. Next Council Meeting is August 16, 2021 at 7:30pm.

**AARP Money:** We are scheduled to get \$132,000 which they will allow to be used for sewer and water projects. There are other funds from the Federal Government with a minimum of

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\$100,000 and a maximum of \$10,000,000. We have a couple of big projects in mind, we know the need will be there shortly. We are planning into the next 3-4 years. We will be doing something. We are looking at an extension of the main water line down the highway and complete the loop for a new water tower.

Ryan had mentioned today, this summer has been the highest daily use in the water tower. We are up to 60% capacity. If there is money in any Economic Development Assistance funds which specifically spell out towers which ours would be related to, we will take a look at it. The \$132,000 AARP money can be used as a match for other monies.

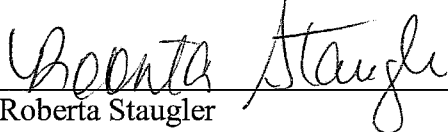
Fiely: Our water is at 60% capacity, does that concern you? Diller: Anything above 80% of capacity EPA will say get ready, begin planning. An increase would change some operational things too.

**Poll Council:** Knapke: On Butler St, can we trim the bushes off of the sidewalk? Diller: He is supposed to get me a date of when the contractor will have the houses removed completely. In the meantime we will make sure the bushes are trimmed.

**Council reviewed invoices #30431 to #30457 including then and now certificates, inter-departmental transfers and memo expense 210062 to 210066. Wendel made a motion to approve as presented, this was seconded by Knapke. Vote all yes.**

**Fiely made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Knapke. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.**

  
President, Al Post

  
Roberta Staugler